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CONVENTION ISSUE

MNS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly meetings are held on the third floor of the Farm and Home Savings and Loan Building, Forsyth and Bemiston, one block east of the St. Louis County Courthouse, Clayton, Missouri.

— 1978 —

AUG. 22, 1978		Movie—San Francisco Mint
SEPT. 26, 1978	Jim Moores	St. Louis Transportation Tokens
OCT. 24, 1978	Eric Newman	Numismatic Developments
NOV. 28, 1978	M. Burgett	Techniques of Numismatic Exhibits
DEC. 26, 1978		Annual Christmas Dinner Party and Awards Banquet

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JAN. 23, 1979	Ron Horstman	National Currency
FEB. 27, 1979	Sid Nusbaum	
MAR. 27, 1979		Annual M.N.S. Auction
APR. 24, 1979	Larry Marsh	U.S. Obsolete Currency
MAY 22, 1979	M. Pfefferkorn	Ancient Coinage
JUNE 26, 1979	Eric Newman	To be announced
JULY 24, 1979	Edw. Schroeder	Biblical Coins

OTHER LOCAL NUMISMATIC EVENTS

Monthly meeting of the St. Louis Numismatic Association is held at the community center at Westport Plaza on the first Friday night of each month.

Monthly meeting of the World Coin Club of Missouri is held every fourth Sunday at 1:00 in the Farm and Home Savings and Loan Building, Clayton, Missouri.

FUTURE MAJOR EVENTS

Oct. 14-15, 1978	World Coin Club of Missouri Annual Coin Show at the Holiday Inn North in St. Louis
Feb. 23, 24, 25, 1979	St. Louis Numismatic Association Annual Coin Show at the Marriott Motor Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri.
July 29 to Aug. 3, 1979	American Numismatic Association (A.N.A.) Convention here in St. Louis at Convention Center.

The M.N.S. Chairman's Report:

During this year, the Missouri Numismatic Society introduced a "silent auction," which allowed exchange of numismatic items between members following the evening's program.

Last May, the Society sponsored and manned the 39th Central States Numismatic Society's Convention. Although there were some difficulties with the facilities, the show was generally regarded as a success. Since the MNS will not have its regular annual show in 1979, the Society's share of the CSNS show profits will be used to offset this anticipated loss of revenue. In lieu of our annual show, the Missouri Numismatic Society will sponsor and host the American Numismatic Association's annual national convention. Bernice Stevenson will be the general show chairperson.

The library has been growing by leaps and bounds through donations and purchases. Recent acquisitions include:

THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF UNITED STATES FRACTIONAL AND POSTAL CURRENCY ..... Friedberg
TRADE TOKENS OF IOWA ..... Ferguson
DIE DEUTSCHEN MUNZEN DER SACHSISCHEN UND FRANKISCHEN KAISERZEIT, vols. I-IV ..... Dannenberg
HISTORIA NUMORUM—A MANUAL OF GREEK NUMISMATICS (1977 reprint) ..... Head
A DICTIONARY OF ROMAN COINS (1964 reprint) ..... Stevenson
CATALOGO DE LOS REALES DE A OCHO ESPANOLES ..... Yriarte and Lopez-Chavez
LIVRO DAS MOEDAS DE PORTUGAL..... Ferraro-Vaz
UNITED STATES GOLD COINS, vol. II, QUARTER EAGLES 1796-1929 .....Akers
LAS MONEDAS DEL IMPERIO ESPANOL 1479-1713 and LAS MONEDAS ESPANOLAS DESDE LOS REYES CATOLICOS AL ESTADO ESPANOL 1474-1976 ..... Castan and Cayon
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF UNITED STATES LIBERTY SEATED DIMES 1837-1891..... Ahwash
COINS, MEDALS, & SEALS, ANCIENT AND MODERN (pub. 1864)..... Prime
UNOFFICIAL FARTHING 1820-1870 ..... Bell
THE UNITED STATES HALF DIMES ..... Valentine
THE COINS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS
PART 1 EUROPEAN TERRITORIES
PART 3 WEST INDIES
PART 4 EAST INDIA CO., PRESIDENCY SERIES, c. 1642-1835, vol. I..... Pridmore
COINS & COINAGE OF THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND BRITISH MALAYA 1786-1951 ..... Pridmore
MONEY TALKS, A NUMISMATIC ANTHOLOGY SELECTED FROM CAL COIN NEWS ..... California State Numismatic Assn.
MICHIGAN DEPRESSION SCRIP OF THE 1930's .....Curto
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CHINESE COINS, vol. V ..... Coole
STATE BANK NOTES OF MICHIGAN ..... Bowen
A COMPREHENSIVE CATALOGUE & ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MODERN MEXICAN COINS (1976 ed.)..... Rios
MISSISSIPPI OBSOLETE PAPER MONEY AND SCRIP .....Leggett

VERMONT OBSOLETE NOTES AND SCRIP ..... Coulter
FLORIDA OBSOLETE NOTES AND SCRIP ..... Freeman
MINNESOTA OBSOLETE NOTES AND SCRIP ..... Rockholt
TEXAS OBSOLETE NOTES AND SCRIP ..... Medlar
THE NATIONAL BANK NOTE ISSUES OF 1929-1935 ..... Huntoon and Van Belkum
MEDALS OF THE U.S. MINT, THE FIRST CENTURY 1792-1892 ..... Julian
CALIFORNIA TOKENS ..... Kappen

The librarian has expanded the periodical collection to make obscure information more available. The Society has joined organizations to acquire currently published journals. When possible, back issues have been purchased. Available periodicals include:

ANA CLUB NEWS (American Numismatic Assn.) 1974-1978
ATTS NEWSLETTER (American Tax Token Society) 1971-1977
BUNYAN'S CHIPS (Journal of the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors) misc. issues, 1974-1975
CALCOIN NEWS (California State Numismatic Assn.) 1978
CANADIAN NUMISMATIC JOURNAL (Canadian Numismatic Assn.) 1978
COINS MAGAZINE 1962-1970
COPPERHEAD COURIER (formerly JOURNAL OF THE CIVIL WAR TOKEN SOCIETY) 1968-1978
FARE BOX (American Vecturist Society) 1968-1978
JUNK BOX (Journal of Michigan Token and Medal Society) 1967-1968
N.I. BULLETIN (Numismatics International) 1977-1978
NUMISMATIC SCRAPBOOK 1960's and 1970's
THE NUMISMATIST 1944-1978
PAPER MONEY (Society of Paper Money Collectors) 1962-1978
THE RATION BOARD (Society of Ration Token Collectors) Sept., 1974 and March, 1975
SCRIP TALK (National Scrip Collectors Assn.) 1978
THE SHEKEL (American Israeli Numismatic Assn.) 1978
TAMS JOURNAL (Token and Medal Society) 1961-1978
TRADE TOKEN TOPICS (Merchant Token Collectors Assn.) 1978
WORLD COINS 1964-1976

Visual materials have not been neglected. Slide sets on Confederate currency and half-dollar die varieties have been produced.

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C. C. C. TOKENS

by Agnar Wahlberg

Early History of the Civilian Conservation Corps

During the Great Depression of the early 1930's, jobless youth were everywhere, and their joblessness posed a problem. At the same time, forests were being denuded, and soil erosion was rampant.

While he was still governor of New York, Franklin D. Roosevelt had been thinking of beginning a youth program. When he took the office of President, Roosevelt initiated plans to start such a program. By March 24, 1933, while the bill to establish the Civilian Conservation Corps was still in committee, the General Staff drafted complex regulations governing the Army's role in the establishment and maintenance of camps. The country was divided into nine corps areas, and the program was ready to go as soon as the bill passed.

Meanwhile, the Department of Agriculture, under the impression that it was to run the camps through the Forest Service, quickly drew up a work schedule of projects.

Originally, the work was intended to be divided among the various governmental departments. The War Department was to enroll the men and to feed, clothe, house, and condition them. Later, the Army would transport the enrollees to the camps. The Departments of Agriculture and the Interior were to be responsible for the selection of the work projects, the supervision of the work, and the administration of the camps.

Eventually, it was decided that the Army should build and operate the camps and transport, feed, and discipline the workers.

Initially, the men were assigned to camps near their homes so that they could visit their families easily, thus avoiding the problem of homesickness. Later, when this was not possible, the men were shipped further and further away from their home bases.

When a company arrived in camp, the men did not know how long they would remain there. The length of time depended on the nature and the amount of work to be done. As a result, they were often shifted from one camp to another before their six-month enlistment was up. At this time, new recruits would take their place. They also had the option of enlisting for an additional six-month term. As the number of men and camps grew (over six thousand camps and over two and one-half million men), the transfer of men and companies became very commonplace.

Within the first three months about 300,000 men had been placed in 1,468 camps. By the summer of 1934, approximately 416 million dollars had been spent in caring for 850,000 men. On October 26, 1935, the CCC reported an enrollment of 582,648 men. From April 5, 1933, to April 5, 1936, about 1,600,000 different persons served in the CCC camps. They had earned $356,638,000, of which about 260 million dollars was sent home to dependents.

By the end of the third year of the CCC's operation, enrollees had planted 558 million trees, built 1,963,500 soil erosion control dams, cut 69 thousand miles of trails and minor roads, and fought numerous forest fires. The planting of as many as one million trees a day was regarded as an important element of the nation's flood control program. Thus, the technical agencies were responsible only for the work projects and the men during working hours.

On April 6, 1933, the Army was given the authority to begin selecting men for the camps. The first camp to be established was Camp Roosevelt at Luray, Virginia, on April 17. Its number was F-1. (The F-1 indicated that it was Forest Service Camp No. 1 in Virginia. Each state eventually used the same numbering system to designate its camps.)

Each camp was to consist of two hundred men. The groups were given a company number and then transported to a camp that had already been built. Each camp had its own project number and camp name.

There were over twenty different agencies which administered the various work projects. Each project was identified by initials, such as F for Forest Service, SP for State Park Emergency Conservation Work, P for Private Forest (under the Forest Service), and MP for Military Park (under the National Park Service). Following the initials, there was a project number and a name given by the agency in charge of the project.

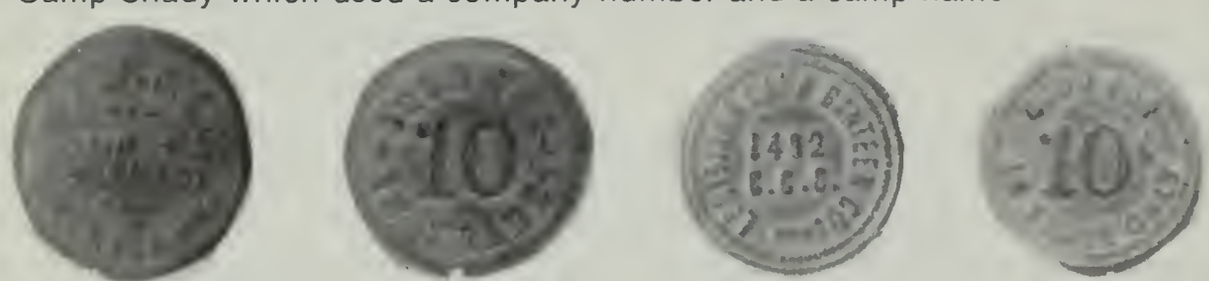
The Army used a code number to designate the corps area: "4" was the Fourth Corps area, "9" was the Ninth Corps area, etc. Any company with a "4", for example, 400, 1400, 2400, 3400, designated a company that had been recruited in that particular corps area.

At first, only single men, eighteen to twenty-five years of age whose families were on the relief rolls, were eligible to join. They were paid one dollar a day and subsistence. They had to agree to allot twenty-two to twenty-five dollars out of their thirty-dollar monthly wage to their dependents.

C.C.C. TOKEN TYPES

An examination of the hundred and fifteen different known CCC tokens reveals a wide variety of types and legends used in the administration of the Civilian Conservation Corps. Bearing in mind that the camps were headed by regular army officers, it seems only natural that army language such as "company store," "canteen," and "camp exchange" was frequently used on these tokens. According to James Curto in his book *Post Exchange Canteens and Other Military Tokens:* "Company exchanges are authorized when they are deemed necessary by the Company commanders and on the approval of the department or division commander." Only when the Forestry Service issued tokens with their logo did uniformity of design begin to appear.

An early example of a CCC token is the F-4 token issued for Camp Shady in Mena, Arkansas. It was the home of CCC Co. 742, which was organized on May 19, 1933, and was not disbanded until March 15, 1942. (This was one of the very last camps to be closed, and it had the longest life-span of any of the camps.) The F-4 designation was established by the Forestry Service in its attempt to establish its authority over the camps. After the Army was given control of these camps, another token type was issued for Camp Shady which used a company number and a camp name.



One unusual type, the Louisiana Camp Canteen Company token, was issued for CCC Co. 1492 which was stationed at Camp Henry E. Hartage at Olla, Louisiana. Camp Hartage was designated as Camp P-58 by the Forestry Service. The P designation (meaning Private Forest) is not indicated on the token.

Many maverick types exist. Although this adds to the variety in a collection, it makes attribution difficult. Official records, however, still exist which record the history of each company.

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MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 19TH ANNUAL COIN FESTIVAL

DAILY SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

8:30 A.M.	Bourse area open to dealers only.
9:30 A.M.	Official convention opening ceremonies; bourse and exhibit areas open to general public.
12:00 A.M.	All exhibits must be in place.
9:30 P.M.	Bourse and exhibit areas closed to all.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

8:30 A.M.	Bourse area open to dealers only.
9:30 A.M.	Bourse and exhibit areas open to general public.
2:00 P.M.	Missouri Numismatic Society Exhibit Award Presentations.
9:30 P.M.	Bourse and exhibit areas closed to all.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

8:30 A.M.	Bourse area open to dealers only.
9:30 A.M.	Bourse and exhibit areas open to general public.
5:00 P.M.	Bourse and exhibit areas officially closed.

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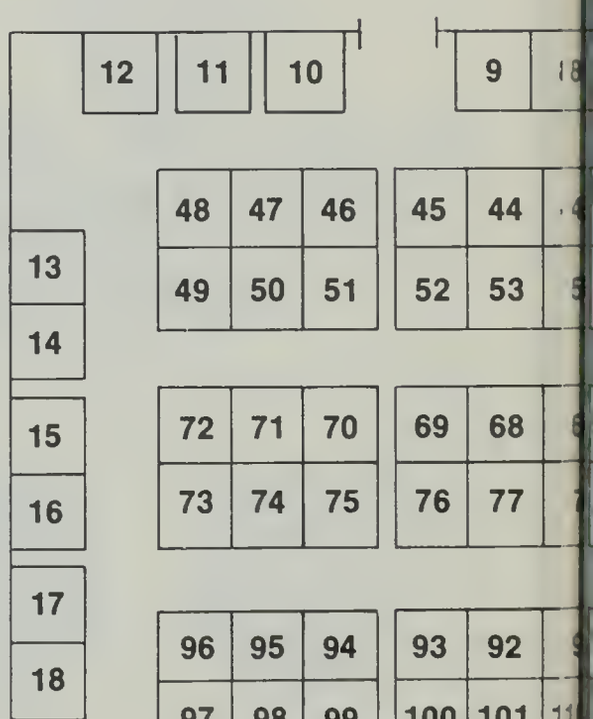

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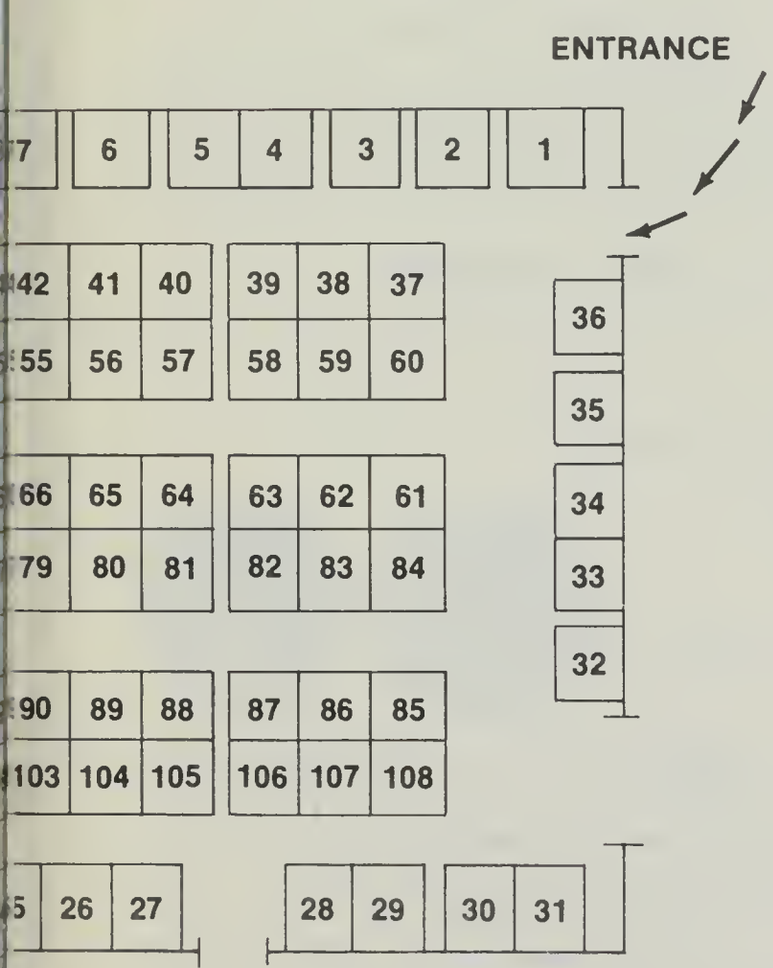

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Typical obverse legends include:

a. + / C.C.C. / CO. 1590 / +
b. CCC CO. / * R.F.P. * / 240
c. 5 / 1713

d. CAMP / EXCHANGE / CO. / 1709
e. CO. 2889 / GOOD FOR / 1 / GAME / OF POOL
f. CAMP STORE / -.- / CO. 1501, C.C.C.

g. C.C.C. / N.A. IND.
h. C.C.C. / 25
i. C.C.C. / JOINT / EXCHANGE

Some typical reverse legends include:

a. GOOD FOR / CTS / 5 / CTS / IN TRADE
b. GOOD FOR / 10¢ / IN / MERCHANDISE
c. GOOD FOR / 5 / IN TRADE
d. BOTTLE / 2½¢ / CHECK
e. the Forest Service reverse, consisting of CIVILIAN / (pine tree with three vertical C's with U S on either side of the trunk) / CONSERVATION CORPS

Some tokens have blank reverses. However, a number were manufactured by the E. A. Schmidt and A. E. Schmidt Companies, and their manufacturers' stamps are on the reverse. The two Schmidt companies are actually the same firm with name changes as the leadership was passed to the following generation. The firm, which manufactured pool tables, probably supplied the tokens along with other camp recreation equipment.

MISSOURI C.C.C. CAMP TOKENS

CCC Co. 787

1. Obv. CUIVRE RIVER PROJECT CANTEEN / TROY, / MO.
   Rev. GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN / MERCHANDISE
   20 mm. Round Brass
2. Obv. 787 / C.C.C.
   Rev. * GOOD FOR * / 5¢ / IN TRADE
   20 mm. Round Aluminum

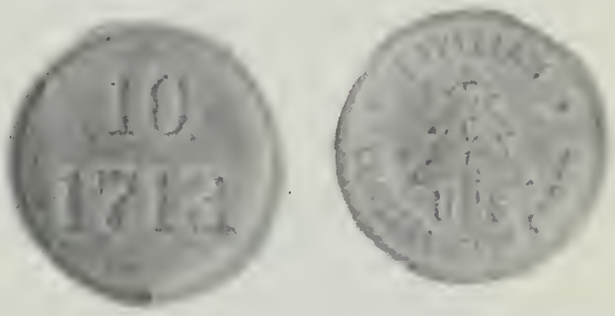
CCC Co. 787, which was stationed in the Cuivre River State Park at Troy, Missouri, was organized at Fort Riley, Kansas, on November 24, 1934. The company consisted of 186 white junior enrollees: 22 from Missouri, 163 from Kansas, and 1 from Minnesota. The company was sent to Camp Cuivre River and was stationed there for six months. Then the new enrollees were sent to Minneapolis on June 25, 1935. The company was disbanded on October 8, 1937. The second token listed above was probably used after the company was sent to Minneapolis.

CCC Co. 1713

3. Obv. 5 / 1713

Rev. CIVILIAN / (forest service logo) / CONSERVATION CORPS

24 mm. Round Aluminum



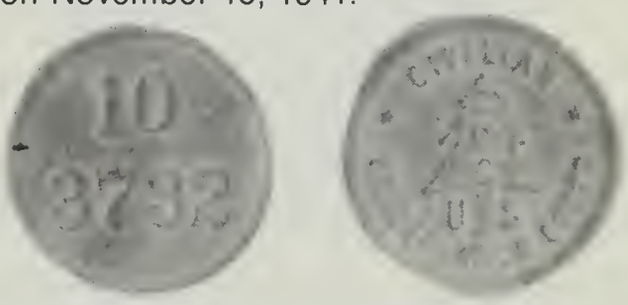
4. Obv. 10 / 1713

Rev. same as #3

24 mm. Round Brass

This company was organized on June 18, 1933 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. It consisted of 233 enrollees: 232 from Missouri and 1 from Kansas. It was sent to SP-4 (under the jurisdiction of the State Park Emergency Conservation Work program, an agency of the U.S. Forestry Service). The camp was known as Camp Roaring River and was located at Cassville, Missouri. On November 25, 1939, the company was sent to SP-25 at Laclede, Missouri, where it remained until it was disbanded on November 15, 1941.

CCC Co. 3732



5. Obv. 10 / 3732

Rev. same as #3

24 mm. Round Brass

This camp was organized on June 1, 1935, at Albany, Missouri. All of the 154 enrollees were from Missouri. They were sent to SCS-8 (the Soil Conservation Service, under the U.S. Forestry Service) which was known as Camp William P. Jackson at Palmyra, Missouri. On August 1, 1937, the company was sent to SCS-15 at Mt. Vernon, Missouri, and on June 28, 1940, it was sent to SCS-44 at Neosho, Missouri, where it was eventually disbanded on August 15, 1941.

CCC Co. 3757

6. Obv. CCC CO. 3757 / GOOD FOR / 5 / CTS / IN TRADE

Rev. A. E. SCHMIDT CO. / ST. / LOUIS / MO.

22 mm. Octagonal Red Fibre

CCC Co. 3757 was organized on June 3, 1935, at Van Buren, Missouri. All of its 164 enrollees were from Missouri. They were sent to SCS-22, Camp Bowling Green, located at Bowling Green, Missouri. On May 10, 1941, the company was sent to AF-2 (an Army base) at Fort Leonard Wood, and was disbanded there on July 27, 1942.

CCC Co. 3762

7. Obv. 10 / 3762

   Rev. same as #3

   24 mm. Round Brass

This company was organized on June 21, 1935, at Sullivan, Missouri, and it consisted of 157 enrollees from Missouri. The company was sent to SCS-10, Camp Union, at Union, Missouri. On October 17, 1939, the company was sent to SCS-38 at Pilot Grove, Missouri, where it was disbanded on June 30, 1941.

A MISSOURI RECORD

A Continuing Report on Numismatic Items Related to Missouri

9. Obv. * NATIONAL WATER WELL ASSOCIATION * / (well drilling scene) / ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION - 1969 -

   Rev. * 21 ST ANNUAL ASSOCIATION EXPOSITION * / (arch over NWWA logo) / GATEWAY TO / THE FUTURE OF THE / WATERWELL INDUSTRY / THE NATIONAL WATERWELL ASSOCIATION COMES OF AGE

   38.8 mm. antiqued bronze round

No information is currently available, and the editor would appreciate any historical data on this medal.

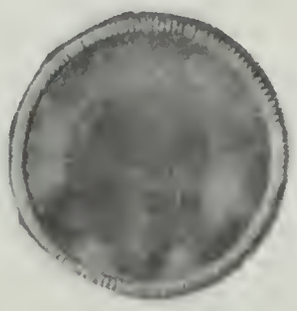
10. Obv. AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION / (AVA seal superimposed over a stylized arch and riverfront) / ST.

LOUIS / August 13-15 / 1976

Rev. (bicentennial symbol) GOOD FOR ONE FARE (bicentennial symbol) / ON THE / SAMUEL CLEMENS / (steamboat moving right) / MISSISSIPPI RIVER / TOUR / August 13, 1976

38.8 mm. nickel alloy round

This token was used as a transportation piece only on the day stated on the token. The AVA convention was held in a meeting room at the Bel Air East Hotel located at Fourth and Washington near the Eads Bridge.

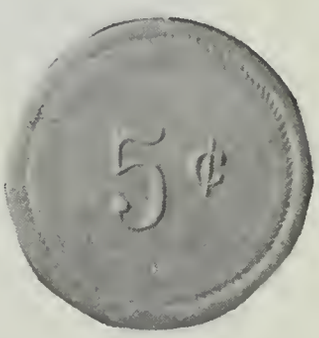


11. Obv. C. G. T. V. / 25

Rev. blank

23.3 mm. brass round

This token was issued by the Carondelet Germania Turnverein which was located at Michigan and Robert Streets. During the 1920's, the Turners' building was torn down and was replaced by the Michigan Theatre. The organization moved to the German House which was the headquarters for many German cultural groups in St. Louis. This massive building still stands at Jefferson and Lafayette Avenues.



12. Obv. DEUTSCHER / THEATER / VEREIN

Rev. 5 ¢

24.5 mm. brass round

The German Theater Society was in existence c. 1908 to c. 1938. The society was headquartered in Soulard during its early history, but later it moved to the German House. The reason for the tokens is unclear. Denominations of 10¢, 25¢, and 50¢ are also known.

13. Obv. SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY / 1818 (fleur de lis) 1968 / KNOWLEDGE AND THE FUTURE OF MAN

Rev. (seal of the university within a beaded circle surrounded by symbols of the many professions entered by the graduates)

38.1 mm. antiqued bronze round horizontal reeding with MEDALLIC ART CO. N stamped on edge

This medal commemorated the 150th anniversary of the founding of the oldest university in the metropolitan area. In 1829, the Jesuit institution was formed from earlier colleges, such as the St. Louis College. Today's St. Louis University complex, centered at Grand and West Pine Avenues, is actively involved in the "urban renaissance" through its mid-town redevelopment program.

14. Obv. AHRENS & PFEFFERKORN / 25

Rev. IN TRADE / 25 / PAT. JUN. 1909 / INGLE SYSTEM

24 mm. nickel-plated-brass round

This dry goods firm began operation in Oran, Missouri, circa 1913. Leo Pfefferkorn, one of the partners, became the assistant cashier at the First National Bank of Oran in 1915. The partnership may have been dissolved in 1917 when Leo Pfefferkorn was drafted. In 1930, he left the business world to enter politics and served as circuit clerk for 12 years. He served as a member of the Scott County Draft Board until his death in 1943.

NOTES ON THE W. A. HANDY ADVERTISEMENT OF MAY 17, 1838

by Don Lewis

W. A. Handy, whom we collectors of Hard Times tokens recognize as #78 in Lyman H. Low's book, was a merchant tailor in Providence, Rhode Island, during the worst of the "Hard Times" period. He took note of the political frustrations of his time as noted in a personal advertisement published in the Thursday, May 17, 1838, issue of the *Providence Morning Courier and General Advertiser.* It stated:

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NEW GOVERNOR—NEW GOODS.

AND who cannot afford *new* Clothes? Surely every Whig should appear out in a new dress, and every administration man, should, at least, have spirit enough to keep up *appearances*—" nothing like keeping up appearances," if nothing more, it keeps up one's spirits. And the *neuters*, what shall I say to them? Say! I say persevere on in the same undeviating cause of *justice* till party bickerings and political corruption is put down. Though you stand between two fires, be not discouraged, for your cause is the cause of truth, and "truth is mighty and will prevail." So Whigs, Van Burenites, Neuters and all; permit me to say, that presuming when you got through with the pending political campaign, you would begin to take thought for the body, I have prepared myself accordingly, and have just received a prime assortment of new goods, which will be made up to order to suit and at full as low prices as can be found elsewhere. If you doubt it call and see, at no. 1 Washington row. W. A. HANDY.

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It is apparent that Mr. Handy was referring to the Hard Times of his era, which, of course, caused the private minting of the tokens we now collect. His wry comment "nothing like keeping up appearances" (hoping perhaps with his tailored goods) seemed to challenge both political parties to do more than keep up appearances. Either a Whig or a Van Burenite might easily have been offended by the remark. Could it have been that the populace was so disgusted with the economic situation that both parties were being rejected?

In conclusion, much of the cynicism that appears on the Hard Times tokens, which represents the economic frustrations of the era, apparently also bled into the newspaper advertisements.

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